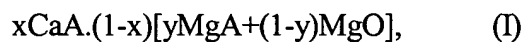


Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended) Powdery composition based on a calco-magnesian compound complying with formula I



in which

A is a = (OH)_2 or =CO_3 group, and

x and y are molar fractions where $0 < x \leq 1$ and $0 \leq y \leq 1$,

which contains, in a quantity of less than 5% by weight of the said composition, a mineral solid flow agent ~~chosen from amongst~~ selected from the group consisting of vermiculite, perlite, diatomaceous earth and silica, in the form of particles having a size greater than 90 μm .

Claim 2 (currently amended) Composition according to claim 1, characterised in that it contains the flow agent in a quantity of less than or equal to 3% by weight, ~~preferably around 2% by weight.~~

Claim 3 (currently amended) Composition according to claim 1 ~~one of claims 1 and 2~~, characterised in that the mineral solid flow agent has a particle size greater than 125 μm ~~and preferably 250 μm .~~

Claim 4 (currently amended) Composition according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~, characterised in that the mineral solid flow agent is sand.

Claim 5 (currently amended) Composition according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~, characterised in that the mineral solid flow agent is attapulgite.

Claim 6 (currently amended) Composition according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~, characterised in that the mineral solid flow agent is raw vermiculite.

Claim 7 (currently amended) Composition according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~, characterised in that the mineral solid flow agent is expanded vermiculite.

Claim 8 (currently amended) Composition according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~, characterised in that the mineral solid flow agent is expanded perlite.

Claim 9 (currently amended) Composition according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~, characterised in that the calco-magnesian compound is at a degree of purity greater than 90%, ~~preferably 92% by weight~~, in the composition.

Claim 10 (currently amended) Composition according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~, characterised in that the calco-magnesian compound has a particle size of less than 20 μ .